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Mysore Varsity info on Digital Signages

- LED screens installed at 5 vantage spots in Manasagangothri campus to live stream events
- Rs. 55 lakh Project to become fully functional by month end

Mysuru, Sept.22 (RK&SSV)- Any function in a Department in University of Mysore (UoM) campus or an event in Crawford Hall that you wanted to watch? No problem. Henceforth, you can watch it on the LED Digital Signages at five designated vantage spots, thanks to the novel initiative of UoM.

For the first time in the State, the Varsity has installed five LED screens for the benefit of students, lecturers and citizens. They are at different locations in the sprawling Manasagangothri campus and near Crawford Hall.

While one screen is erected near SJCE, another is near Senate Bhavan, yet another at Gangothri Main Gate near Kuvempu Statue, one more near the Centenary Clock Tower and another in the Crawford Hall.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar, Vice-Chancellor, UoM, said that the total cost of the project is Rs. 55 lakh and it is installed and maintained by a Bengaluru-based company.

To begin with, a video of the history of Mysore Varsity which has completed 100 years will be shown repeatedly on LED screens. Plans are afoot to have audio too. Henceforth, any function held in any Department in Manasagangothri or at the Crawford Hall will be telecast live and the same could be seen on LED screen. This will enable interested students to watch what is happening in other Departments. New software is being developed for live telecast of various events including Webinars, he added.

(See VARSITY on page 7)

One of the LED screens installed near Crawford Hall.

Rains increase water levels in KRS, Kabini Dams again

Mysuru, Sept.22 (OSR)- Thanks to copious rains in catchment areas, the inflow into KRS Dam has increased.

Also, boating at Ranganathittu Bird Sanctuary near Srirangapatna has been suspended for one week following heavy discharge of water from the Dam.

According to information available, this morning (9 am), the inflow into KRS was 37,154 cusecs and outflow 43,475 cusecs. Water level stood at 124.22 feet as against the maximum level of 124.80 ft. The authorities are expecting an increased inflow into the reservoir following reports of heavy rains in Bhagamandala and Madikeri areas.

The situation of Kabini Reservoir was no better with heavy inflow into the Dam due to rains in Wayanad and surrounding places in Kerala.

File photo

The water level at Kabini today stood at 2,282.58 ft against the maximum level of 2,284 ft. The inflow was 26,607 cusecs and outflow 30,208 cusecs.

Flood alert: Meanwhile, Kabini Dam authorities have issued a flood alert and asked the people living in low-lying areas to move to safe places anticipating heavy discharge of water. Part of Hadinaaru Kaalu Mantapa in Nanjangud was submerged and devotees are not allowed to the bathing ghat.

It may be recalled, the ever-busy Mysuru-Nanjangud Road was closed for vehicular movement for two days from Aug. 8 after Kabini River overflowed near Mallanamoole Mutt due to heavy discharge of water from Kabini Reservoir. The Dam had recorded an inflow of 64,449 cusecs and an outflow of 70,600 cusecs.

Chief Minister B.S. Yeddiyurappa had offered bagina at both the reservoirs on Aug. 21.

Contract Health Workers to go on indefinite stir from Sept.24

Mysuru, Sept.22 (PM&SSV)- After Government doctors' silent protest, now contract and outsourced workers belonging to Departments of Health, Medical Education and National Health Mission have decided to go on indefinite strike from Sept. 24.

They have urged the State Government to fulfill their charter of demands which included equal work-equal pay, job security and insurance coverage.

Addressing a press conference in city this morning, Chandrashekar, District President of Karnataka State Health and Family Welfare and Medical Education Department Contract and Outsourced Employees Association, said around 30,000 contract and outsourced employees were working all over the State.

(See STIR on page 7)

Mysuru COVID-19 UPDATE

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	**524**
Total positive cases	:	**30,308**
Discharges yesterday	:	**633**
Total discharges	:	**25,115**
Deaths yesterday	:	**15**
Total deaths	:	**706**
Total active cases	:	**4,487**

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Tuesday 22nd September 2020

SC cancels Bengaluru National Law School's Entrance Exam

New Delhi, Sept. 22- The Supreme Court (SC) has cancelled National Law School of India University (NLSIU) Bengaluru's notification for a separate entrance exam, the National Law Aptitude Test-2020 held on Sept. 12, for admission to its five-year integrated BA LLB (Hons) programme.

While cancelling the NLAT-2020 entrance exam yesterday, the Court also directed that admissions in all 22 National Law Universities (NLUs) be conducted in accordance with Common Law Admission Test (CLAT)-2020) which is scheduled to be held on Sept. 28.

A Bench, headed by Justice Ashok Bhushan, passed the order on a plea challenging NLAT-2020 filed by former NLSIU Vice-Chancellor Professor R. Venkata Rao and the parent of an aspirant.

The Bench, also comprising Justices R.S. Reddy and M.R. Shah, said all NLUs should start their academic session by mid October. The CLAT is a centralised national-level entrance test for admissions to 22 NLUs in India. Bengaluru's NLSIU is one of them.

On Sept. 17, the Top Court reserved its order on the plea seeking quashing of the NLAT-2020 notification, read with the Sept. 4 press release on NLSIU admissions 2020-21. NLSIU Bengaluru defended its decision in the Top Court to hold a separate entrance examination instead of CLAT.

On Sept. 11, the Top Court gave NLSIU Bengaluru its go ahead to hold a separate exam on Sept. 12 but restrained it from announcing the results and admitting any student till the pendency of the plea.

The Bench, which said it is an important matter which needs to be decided, had issued notice to the University and its VC Prof. Sudhir Krishnaswamy and sought their responses on the plea. The plea termed holding of a separate examination as "manifestly arbitrary and illegal."

NLSIU's action had created unprecedented uncertainty and has imposed an onerous burden and obligations upon thousands of aspirants, who are now uncertain about the future course of action, the plea claimed.

The impugned notification provides that NLSIU shall not accept the scores of CLAT 2020 for admission to academic year 2020-21 and an examination called NLAT be conducted online.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Free internet programmes aim to get the attention of as many viewers as possible for as long as possible. They take advantage of the high addictiveness of the net, especially for youngsters. The companies employ algorithms, complex software programmes, to track and analyse every move of viewers, getting to know more about their likes and tendencies than a psychiatrist. Using this psychological knowledge, the algorithms feed viewers with ads and messages that will hook their attention — not just to buy things but use news, videos and other devices that guide viewers into groups with similar likes and dislikes. The algorithms even feed different versions of the same news to different groups to satisfy their psychological needs, deepening polarisation. Control over the data of viewers has given the companies unprecedented power to influence viewers and make money. Data, it is said, is the new oil. This has raised troubling questions about privacy and security. But more sinister is the way the networks harness the dark side of human nature to promote polarised groups with contempt for rival groups that incites hate and violence. The net creates groups of individuals listening only to one another, brimming with dangerous passion. —*In The Times of India*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Football team lose after socially distancing from opponents

Berlin: An amateur German football team lost a match 37-0 after they socially distanced from their opponents due to concerns about the Coronavirus.

The losing side, SG Ripdorf/ Molzen II, only fielded seven players as that was the minimum team size required to complete the fixture. It came after their opponents for the game - SV Holdenstedt II - previously faced off against a team with a player who tested positive for coronavirus.

Despite all of the Holdenstedt squad testing negative for COVID-19, Ripdorf did not feel conditions were safe enough to properly compete.

National Park mails rubbish back to tourists who litter!

Bangkok: A National Park in Thailand, tired of cleaning litters, has decided to send their rubbish back to them. The popular Khao Yai National Park near Bangkok is known for its diverse wildlife and lush forests. But tourists have been blamed for spoiling the natural landscape by leaving behind empty bottles, cans and food packaging.

Thailand's Minister of Natural Resources and Environment Varawut Silpa-archa has said that any rubbish left behind will be packed up and posted back to litterbugs. The offenders will also be registered with the Police.

Visitors to the National Park will have to register their addresses, which makes it easy for the Park authorities to track them and mail back their trash.

The Minister also shared photos of rubbish collected in boxes and ready to be shipped, as warning. "Your trash - we'll send it back to you," he wrote, reminding people that littering is an offence punishable with up to five years in prison and fines.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What are the risks of Chemotherapy?

Patients who undergo chemo are 14 times more likely to develop leukemia, and 6 times more likely to develop cancer of the bones, joints and soft tissues than patients who do not take Chemotherapy.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

COVID-19 UPDATE

Mandya

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	102
Total positive cases	:	9,268
Total discharges	:	7,801
Total deaths	:	95
Total active cases	:	1,372

Chamarajanagar

Positive cases yesterday	:	57
Total positive cases	:	3,552
Total discharges	:	2,789
Total deaths	:	66
Total active cases	:	686

Kodagu

Positive cases yesterday	:	13
Total positive cases	:	2,260
Total discharges	:	1,860
Total deaths	:	31
Total active cases	:	369

Hassan

Positive cases yesterday	:	268
Total positive cases	:	13,793
Total discharges	:	10,798
Total deaths	:	253
Total active cases	:	2,742

Really...?

- ***Mongolians were the first to discover yogurt; after riding on horses with milk stored in animal bladders, the milk was curled by the natural enzymes inside of the bladders.***
- ***Most "Greek Yogurt" is actually just regular yogurt with thickeners such as corn starch.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Doctor: *Hello, did you come to see me with an eye problem?*

Patient: *Wow, yes, how could you tell that?*

Doctor: *Because you came in through the window instead of the door !!*

Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 73.50
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 93.98
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 20.01
1 Euro	= Rs. 86.30

VOICE OF THE READER

Will our authorities attend to people's problems?

Sir,

Like many other concerned citizens I too wonder if the common issues and problems highlighted in *Star of Mysore* including the pictures actually showing the problems are actually attended to by the Departments or authorities concerned. If not all, at least some of them and which ones?

If majority of the issues raised are not read by the concerned Government staff or ignored, is there a point in reserving this space in this paper or any other media?

It is for everyone to note that the weeds continue to grow, garbage litter is expanding, parks and public spaces continue to be abused and so on.

Mysuru is amongst the cleaner cities in India, really? I can imagine other towns and cities. Please wake up MCC, MUDA, CESC, Police for a better tomorrow.

There should be a system where the problems when attended to are also reported in the media. Let the system show the concerned powers are accountable and socially, ethically and morally more responsible.

—Dr. M.N. Ravi
Mysuru
20.9.2020

Two women officers to be posted on Indian Navy Warship in historic first

Kumudini Tyagi

Riti Singh

New Delhi, Sept. 22- In a move that will redefine gender equality in the Indian Navy, Sub Lieutenant Kumudini Tyagi and Sub Lieutenant Riti Singh will be the first women officers who will be deployed on Navy warships as part of the ship's crew.

Though Indian Navy does employ several women officers in its ranks, women have, thus far, not been embarked on warships for lengthy durations due many reasons including lack of privacy in crew quarters and availability of gender-specific bathroom facilities. That is set to now change with the two young officers who are training to operate a host of sensors onboard Navy multi-role helicopters, including sonar consoles and Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) payloads.

The two officers will eventually fly on the Navy's new MH-60 R helicopters, 24 of which are on order. Widely considered the most advanced multi-role helicopters of their class in the world, the MH-60R is designed to detect enemy ships and submarines which can be engaged using missiles and torpedoes. In 2018, then Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman had cleared acquisition of Lockheed-Martin built choppers in a deal estimated at 2.6 billion dollars.

News of the deployment of women officers onboard ships comes on a day when it has emerged that Indian Air Force (IAF) has shortlisted a woman fighter pilot to operate in its fleet of Rafale fighter jets. Operational conversion of this officer has begun though it's unclear when she would be declared 'operational' with the IAF's Golden Arrows squadron in Ambala which is the first IAF squadron to operate the French built fighter.

The two officers are part of a group of 17 officers of the Indian Navy, including four women officers, and three officers of Indian Coast Guard, who were awarded "Wings" on graduating as "Observers" at a ceremony held yesterday at INS Garuda in Kochi, the Navy statement said.

In 2016, Flight Lieutenant Bhawanna Kanth, Flight Lieutenant Avani Chaturvedi and Flight Lieutenant Mohana Singh became India's first women fighter pilots. At the moment, the IAF has 1,875 women in service including 10 fighter pilots. Eighteen women officers are navigators who are thought to be deployed in the fighter-fleet as well, operating as Weapons Systems Operators on fighters including the Sukhoi-30MKI.

Selected for 'Shikshana Chetana' award

Mysuru, Sept. 22- T. Satish Javaregowda, Teacher at Government Higher Primary School, Mellahalli, Mysuru, has been selected for the 'Shikshana Chetana' award given by Hasiru Bhoomi Trust, Mysuru, for innovative teachers.

Satish Javaregowda

Apart from making children learn better, Satish also works for the overall development of the school by creatively and innovatively involving in both curricular and co-curricular activities. Satish is working to strengthen the education system in rural areas for the past 18 years.

Along with academics, he has also served in the field of literature. He has brought out poetry collection 'Kuhoo Kuhoo Kogile' and 'Galipata' for children. He is currently pursuing research on 'Kannadadalli Makkala Kavya' at University of Mysore (UoM).

'Shikshana Chetana' award will be presented to Satish during the Teacher's Day celebration programme to be held on Sept. 27, according to a press release [Mob:97399-18291].

SWR revises train timings

Mysuru, Sept.22- South Western Railway (SWR) has revised the timings of following trains at indicated stations to maintain punctuality:

1. Timings of Train No. 06549/06550 KSR Bengaluru-Belagavi-KSR Bengaluru Superfast Special Express at Hubballi and Dharwad will be revised with effect commencing journey from KSR Bengaluru today (22.9.2020) and from Belagavi from 23.9.2020.

Accordingly Train No. 06549KSR Bengaluru-Belagavi Superfast Special Express from 22.9.2020 from KSR Bengaluru will arrive / depart Hubballi at 03:55/04:00 hrs and Dharwad at 04:21/04:22 hrs.

In the return direction, Train No. 06550 Belagavi-KSR Bengaluru Superfast Special Express commencing journey from 23.9.2020 from Belagavi will arrive / depart Dharwad at 22:53/22:54hrs and Hubballi at 23:35/23:40 hrs.

2. Timings of Train No. 06535 Mysuru - Solapur Special Express will be revised between Tumakuru and Indi Road with effect commencing journey from Mysuru from 22.9.2020.

Accordingly Train No. 06535 Mysuru - Solapur Special Express commencing journey from Mysuru today will arrive/depart Tumakuru at 20:03/20:05 hrs, Arsikere - 21:40/21:45 hrs, Birur - 22:23/22:25 hrs, Chikjajur - 23:09/23:10 hrs, Davangere - 23:48/23:50 hrs, Harihar - 00:13/00:15hrs, Ranibennur - 00:38/00:40 hrs, Haveri - 01:13 / 01:15 hrs, Hubballi - 03:10/03:20 hrs,Gadag - 04:30/04:40 hrs, Hole Alur - 05:34/05:35 hrs, Badami - 06:00/06:01 hrs, Guledagudda Road - 06:10/06:11 hrs, Bagalkot - 06:28/06:30 hrs, Almatti - 07:09/07:10 hrs, BasavanBagewadi Road - 07:39/07:40 hrs, Vijayapura - 09:00/09:05 hrs and Indi Road - 09:59/10:00 hrs, according to a press release from Chief Public Relations Officer, South Western Railway, Hubballi.

Internship on Data Science using Python held

Mysuru, Sept. 22- The Institution of Electronics & Telecommunication Engineers (IETE), Mysuru Centre, had organised a four-week Internship on Data Science using Python recently.

Around 21 students from different parts of the country registered for the internship that was inaugurated by Usha Rengaraju, Principal Data Scientist, Infinite-Sum modelling Inc in the presence of Prof. C.R. Nataraj, Chairman, IETE Mysuru Centre, Dr. S.R. Bhagyashree, Vice-Chairperson, IETE Mysuru, Dr. B.D. Parameshachari, Hon. Secretary, IETE Mysuru, Prof. Shashidhar Gokhale, Treasurer, IETE Mysuru.

Usha Rengaraju introduced students to Data Science and its application on Day-1 of internship. Basics of Python was handled by M. Asha, Assistant Professor, Department of ECE, GSSSIETW; Numpy, Visualisation and Basics of Statistics was handled by S.J. Sushma, Associate Professor, Department of ECE, GSSSIETW. Statistics and Probability was taken up by Dr. Yogananda, former Professor, SJCE. This was followed by extensive training on Data Science model by Shashank Dixit, Data Scientist, Applied Materials and Sharmila, Assistant Professor, Department of ECE, NIE.

Students were allocated mini projects on the last day. It will be evaluated after one week. The students said that they had good learning experience during the internship.

Pre-University College inaugurated

Renuka's Innovative PU College was inaugurated at Vijayanagar in city recently. Seen in the picture are** (from right) **Kannada lecturer Mrunalini, Biology lecturer M. Anushree Nair, Mathematics lecturer M.S. Mamatha, Principal and Chemistry lecturer S.C. Renuka, Secretary R. Ashok Kumar, Physics lecturer S. Kanthraj and Vice-Principal and Computer Science faculty H. Chethan.

NEWS BRIEFS

Financial aid

The Department of Horticulture, as part of 'Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY)' is offering a subsidy of 40 percent for the general category and 50 percent subsidy for small and marginal farmers, women and farmers belonging to SC and ST community, for horticulture mechanisation programme. The machinery approved under this scheme are pit digging machine, tree pruner, chaff cutter, power weeder, brush cutter, sprayer, cultivator, chain saw and wheel barrow; aluminium metal climber, coconut tree climber, aluminium pole, mango cutting machine, pepper decorticating/ deconing machine, mango grader, onion grading machine, seed extracting machine and high reach palm cutter. For details, contact offices of Senior Assistant Horticulture Directors — Mysuru - 0821-2430450, H.D. Kote - 08228-255262, Hunsur - 08222-252447, K.R. Nagar - 08223-262792, Nanjangud - 08221-226201, Periyapatna - 08223-273535), T. Narasipur - 08227-260086, according to the Deputy Director, Horticulture Department, Zilla Panchayat, Mysuru.

Ph.D awardees

The University of Mysore (UoM) has awarded Ph.D in Business Administration to Y.S. Harshitha for her thesis 'Youth Buying Behaviour of Fast Food From Select Chains of Outlets in Karnataka' [Guide: Dr. S.J. Manjunath].

Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU), Belagavi, has awarded Ph.D in Computer and Information Science to H.C. Vinod for his thesis 'Analysis and Understanding of Camera-based Document Images' [Guide: Dr. S.K. Niranjan].

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

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Inflow	37,154 cusecs
Outflow	43,475 cusecs

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,282.58 ft
Inflow	26,607 cusecs
Outflow	30,208 cusecs

Harangi Level

(Maximum : 2,859.00 feet)

Today	2,857.94 ft
Inflow	7,030 cusecs
Outflow	5,510 cusecs

Miscreants who looted cash, jewellery from elderly couple's house arrested

Rs. 12 lakh gold ornaments recovered

Mysuru, Sept. 22 (RK&KS)- Devaraja Police have arrested five persons on charges of looting cash and jewellery from the house of an elderly couple at Vivekanandanagar in the early hours of Aug. 29 and have recovered gold ornaments worth Rs. 12 lakh from them.

The arrested are 27-year-old Zabiulla Shariff of Ambedkar Nagar near Sathagalli Bus Depot, 24-year-old Ibrahim Ahmed of Udayagiri, 22-year-old Khasif of Ghousianagar, 42-year-old Gavigowda, a native of Hassan and a resident of Giriyabovipalya and 52-year-old B.S. Girish, a native of Bilikere and a resident of Vivekanandanagar.

Acting on a tip off that five persons were trying to sell a gold chain on Vinoba Road, Devaraja Police, on Sept. 17, took the five persons into custody and interrogated them during which they spilled the beans.

During interrogation, the Police came to know that accused Girish, who was the neighbour of the elderly couple (victims) identified as Veerabhadraiah and his wife Rangamma, had informed others about the elderly couple, who were staying alone in the house and asked them to loot the house.

Accordingly, on Aug. 29 at about 6.15 am, Zabiulla, Khasif and Ibrahim, who came in an autorickshaw to Vivekananda Circle, parked the auto at a distance from the Circle. Zabiulla and Ibrahim went near the house of Veerabhadraiah and entered the compound. Veerabhadraiah's wife, who woke up on hearing the jumping sound, opened the rear door of the house and the two barged into the house, caught hold of Rangamma and Veerabhadraiah, gagged them, tied them to a chair and threatened them with a dagger.

They later removed the jewels worn by Rangamma and took away gold jewellery and cash kept in the almirah before fleeing from the spot. A case was registered at Kuvempunagar Police Station.

Interrogation of the accused also revealed that accused Zabiulla, who wanted to live a luxurious life, had bought a TV, fridge, cot, sofa and washing machine from the money they got from selling the jewels. The Police have recovered the items from his house.

DCPs Dr. A.N. Prakash Gowda and M.S. Geetha Prasanna supervised Devaraja Inspector Prasanna Kumar, Sub-Inspector Raju, ASI Uday Kumar and staff Soma Shetty, Venugopal, Nandish, Pradeep, Chandru, Veeresh Bagewadi, Nagaraju, Vasanthkumar, Chandru, Prakash and Dhananjay in the nabbing and recovery operation, according to a press release from the Public Relations Officer (PRO), City Police Commissioner's Office, Mysuru.

Accused Gavigowda involved in looting retired Madras HC Judge's farm house: During interrogation, it has come to light that one of the accused — Gavigowda of Giriyabovipalya — was involved in looting the farm house of retired Madras High Court Judge C. Shivappa near Pattasomanahalli in Pandavapura taluk four years ago.

Gavigowda, on Oct. 26, 2015, was involved in looting retired Judge C. Shivappa and his wife Vijayalakshmi of Rs. 1.4 lakh and 177 grams gold ornaments after tying up the couple.

He was named as Accused No. 4 in the case, informed DCP Dr. Prakash Gowda.

Dy.SP Ganapathy suicide case

CBI issues summons to K.J. George at Vidhana Soudha itself !

Bengaluru, Sept. 22- The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), which is probing the suicidal death of Karnataka Dy.SP M.K. Ganapathy following a Supreme Court order, yesterday issued summons to MLA and former Minister K.J. George at Vidhana Soudha itself.

Upon learning that George would take part in the Legislature Session that commenced on Monday, CBI issued summons to him as he arrived to take part in the Session at Vidhana Soudha yesterday.

George has been accused of abetting the suicide of Dy.SP Ganapathy, who was found dead at a lodge in Madikeri under suspicious circumstances on July 7, 2016. Hours before his death, Ganapathy had accused the then Home Minister K.J. George and two IPS officers — A.M. Prasad and Pranab Mohanty — of harassing him.

Dy.SP M.K. Ganapathy

Former Minister K.J. George

The CBI, which registered a case, had named George as A1 in the case. The CBI, which conducted the probe, had submitted a 'B Report' to the Court. But Ganapathy's son Nehal Ganapathy moved the Court, questioning the CBI's 'B Report.'

The SC which heard the petition, rejected the CBI's 'B Report' and ordered a thorough probe into Ganapathy's suicidal death. The CBI which has begun a fresh investigation into the suicidal death of M.K. Ganapathy, on Monday issued summons to Sarvagnanagar MLA K.J. George, who has been named as the prime accused (A1) in the case.

Bengaluru serial bomb blast

Accused held after 12 years

Bengaluru, Sept. 22- Twelve years after the 2008 Bengaluru serial bomb blast case, the Police have made another breakthrough in the investigation of the case, with the arrest of the prime accused.

The ATS (Anti-Terror Squad) Police have arrested Shoib from his hideout in Kerala. Shoib, who has been named as the prime accused, had gone absconding since the blasts that rocked the State Capital in 2008.

Although the Bengaluru Police were successful in arresting some of the other accused a few days after the blasts, Shoib had been evading the Police.

The Police, who continued their search, finally nabbed Shoib from his hideout in Kerala a couple of days ago.

Farmers want commitment from MUDA on cash relief, free sites

Mysuru Urban Development Authority Chairman H.V. Rajeev holding a meeting in city yesterday.

Mysuru, Sept. 22 (SPN & SSV)- Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) Chairman H.V. Rajeev held a meeting here yesterday in connection with the proposed Satellite Township near Udbur on Mysuru-Manandawadi Road.

The meeting was attended by farmers, officials and elected representatives of Udbur and surrounding areas.

Briefing reporters after the meeting, he categorically said that the MUDA was committed to protect the interest of farmers and appealed farmers to co-operate with MUDA to form the new township. Around 600 to 800 acre of land was required for the proposed project. Advance payment will be made to farmers, besides 50 per cent of the sites to be developed on the said land. Any doubt in the minds of farmers will be resolved through dialogue, he said. "I knew how farmers were frequenting MUDA to collect compensation for their land. This will not be allowed during my tenure. Land will be acquired only after clearing all the doubts of farmers. After completing negotiation, the Satellite Township will be completed within one and a half years," Rajeev said.

> If farmers of Udbur and surrounding areas co-operate, the Satellite Township project can be completed within eight months. Everything is depending upon farmers.
>
> **— Dr. D.B. Natesh, MUDA Commissioner**
>
> Farmers must be given commitment regarding the cash compensation or 50 per cent of sites. In past, farmers are made to run from the pillar to post of MUDA and to Court for non-payment of compensation even after acquisition of land".
>
> **— G.D. Harish Gowda, MDCC Bank President**

Rajeev said already one round of talks had been held with the farmers of Udbur, Chowdahalli, Haalaalu and Kalasawadi to remove confusions. In case farmers join hands with the MUDA with an open mind, the project could become a reality. Profit will be shared with farmers too. People invest money on the sites out of their savings. So naturally land within the MUDA limits will get good price. Taking all these factors into consideration, farmers can give their letter of consent to the Authority, he added.

Leaders who spoke at the meeting said that most of the farmers in Udbur, Salundi, Jayapura, Daaripura and others own less than one acre and such person must get clear commitment from the MUDA regarding the compensation and free sites. They should be allowed to till land till the project is started.

MDCC Bank President G.D. Harish Gowda, Udbur ZP Member N. Mahadevaswamy, Ankappa, Revanna, G. Murthy, Pitambara, H. Krishna, Daasanayak, Shivanna, Naganayak, Govinda, N. Marankaiah, Shankar and others were present.

Woman-daughter run over by tipper

Mandya, Sept. 22 (Nagaiah & KS)- In a heart rending incident, a 35-year-old woman and her 4-year-old daughter were killed on the spot when a tipper allegedly ran over them at Holalu village in the taluk yesterday afternoon. However, the woman's husband escaped with minor injuries.

The deceased are Shashikala (35) and her daughter Lavanya (4). Shashikala's husband, who escaped with minor injuries, is Devaraju, all residents of Hadya village.

As the couple's daughter Lavanya was ill, Devaraju, along with Shashikala had taken their daughter to a private hospital in Mandya yesterday morning and after getting their daughter treated, they were returning to their village on their scooter (KA-11-EN-9016).

When they reached the Circle at Holalu village, the tipper (KA-11-B-9408) reportedly rammed into the scooter resulting in Shashikala and her daughter falling on the road and the tipper running over them, killing them instantly.

Rural Sub-Inspector Siddaraju and staff, who rushed to the spot, conducted mahazar and shifted the bodies to the District Hospital.

A case has been registered at the Rural Police Station.

Obituary

Febia Saroja Moses

Hunsur, Sept. 22- Febia Saroja Moses (91), a resident of Gokula Road here, passed away at a hospital in Mysuru early this morning following brief illness. She leaves behind her children including CSI Church Council Member and Mysuru Area Council Treasurer M. Amarnath and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at CSI cemetery in Hunsur this noon.

P. Jayaraj

Mysuru: P. Jayaraj (67), owner of Jayaraj Engineering Works in Yadavagiri Industrial Area, passed away at a private hospital in city yesterday due to heart attack. He leaves behind two daughters, sons-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends. His wife, a teacher by profession, had predeceased him three months ago.

Last rites were held yesterday.

Nagaraju

Hanur: Nagaraju (54), Hanur Town Panchayat Member and a resident of Bannimantap here, passed away at a private hospital in Mysuru yesterday following brief illness.

He leaves behind his wife, three daughters, a son and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at his farm in the outskirts of the town.

Pailwan Mahadevanna

Nanjangud: Pailwan Mahadevanna (78), a resident of Vokkalageri here, passed away at a private hospital yesterday due to heart attack.

He leaves behind his wife, three sons including BJP leader Pailwan Siddaraju, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Nanjangud.

Ramesh

Kushalnagar: Ramesh (45), owner of Mangala Store on Rathabeedi here, passed away yesterday following brief illness.

He leaves behind his wife, daughter and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at the Hindu Burial Grounds in Kushalnagar.

K. Viswanath

Mysuru: K. Viswanath (67), well-known as Auto Vishwanna and a resident of Kuvempunagar in city, passed away on Sept. 14.

He leaves behind his wife Sathya Prema and three daughters — Rajani, Purnima and Seema.

Last rites were held in city.

He had served Kannada theatre for almost four decades. He played a vital role in building 'Nagamangala Kannada Sangha' to reach its glory.

He is a State-level stage designer, costume maker and an actor whose work always spoke louder than his words.

Legal action against cricket betting racketeers: DCP

Mysuru, Sept. 22 (RK)- DCP Dr. A.N. Prakash Gowda has warned on initiating legal action against those involved in cricket betting.

Continuing, the DCP said that as a precautionary step, Special Investigation Teams involving Police personnel of all Police Stations has been already formed, who are monitoring such activities in their respective jurisdiction and collecting relevant information using advanced technology.

These Special Team personnel in plain clothes (mufti) are keeping vigil on lonely house, apartments, guest houses and service apartments. As the ACPs of respective Sub-Divisions are supervising the Special Teams, they are collecting information daily, he added.

The DCP has asked parents to keep a watch on their children and advise them not to involve themselves in cricket betting and urged the public to call the nearest Police Station or Police Control Room on Ph: 100 or 0821-2418339, if they come across any illegal activities and co-operate with the Police.

The DCP said that many youths after losing money in betting commit crime and to prevent youths from such things, parents and public must co-operate with the Police. He warned of initiating legal action against those caught in betting racket.

Factory employee killed in road accident

Jayapura, Sept. 22 (KS)- A 26-year-old youth, working at TVS factory was killed on the spot and pillion rider sustaining serious injuries in a road accident between his bike and a Tata vehicle on Mysuru-Hullahalli Main Road yesterday evening.

The deceased is Mahesh, son of Shivanna and Chikkasanamma couple of S. Kallahalli village. The seriously injured pillion rider, who has been admitted to K.R. Hospital in Mysuru, has been identified as Chandan.

Mahesh, after finishing his duty at the factory was proceeding towards S. Kallahalli along with Chandan on his Pulsar bike (KA-09-HT-0898), when the Tata vehicle (KA-09-ME-2428) allegedly rammed into the bike at Tallur Circle, killing Mahesh on the spot. DySP Dr. Sumeet, Mysuru South Circle Inspector Jeevan, Jayapura Sub-Inspector K.C. Mohan, ASI Kanakadas and staff visited the spot. Jayapura Police have registered a case.

'Loyalists' injurious to health

Point of VIEW

T.J.S. George

In a non-democratic family enterprise such as the Congress, even the appearance of rebellion is unthinkable. That is why last month's letter of dissent by 23 senior leaders triggered an earthquake in the party. The letter was in fact no rebellion. It raised a call for internal reform, a reasonable idea in a party that is older than Indian Independence. It should have been doubly welcome because it came from respected veterans whose objective was to make the party stronger.

The ideas they put forward — a full-time leadership available at National and Pradesh-levels, transparent elections for Block, Pradesh and all-India Committees — were constructive. But 'loyalists' saw the letter as criticism of the High Command. And the power of loyalists should never be underestimated. They are the nuts and bolts of Rule by High Command. That's why we saw a seven-hour debate in the Working Committee ending with renewed affirmation of faith in Sonia Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi. The non-democratic family enterprise character of the party thus re-affirmed, all was well.

Given her background, Sonia Gandhi probably suffers from an insecurity complex. She wants her top position affirmed and reaffirmed so that she won't have to worry about her personal incomprehension of India's convoluted party politics. Once the Working Committee was all-in-all in the party. Today it is the High Command that calls the shots. And the High Command consists of the family and its loyalists. As for Rahul, nothing seems to give him sufficient confidence to take command *de jure* as well as *de facto*. Instead of deriving benefit from the Brave 23, mother and son went into gyrations that suggested activity when there was none. Loyalists are one hundred-percenters. Their allegiance is all-out and categorical. So the Gandhi loyalists stood firmly against "dissent."

Kapil Sibal, a loyal Congress leader if ever there was one, put it plainly when he said that nominations could not be a substitute to elections. He drew attention to the party constitution which stipulated that the Working Committee should have 12 members who were elected to the AICC. But not one elected member is currently in the Committee; all are nominated.

Responding to the Brave 23's letter, the AICC and Working Committee were reconstituted, but through nominations by the President, not elections. Some of the signatories did not find place in the new Committee. The message was clear: Leadership will be in the hands of a select few who will need no electoral approval.

There were reports that some of the Brave 23 and some from outside that group held a private meeting and surveyed the internal situation in the party. They were said to have hardened their position against leadership by nomination. But they are up against formidable forces. Remember the WikiLeak expose which quoted well-connected Americans saying how "the Gandhi family has been secretive about who belongs to the inner circle" and how the inner circle

"carefully controls her access to information and inoculates her from criticism, while her carefully scripted public appearances protect her from making gaffes or missteps."

When Rahul held office in the AICC (2013 to 2019), his team included Mohan Gopal, Jairam Ramesh, Madhusudan Mistry, K. Raju and Divya Spandana who were often at loggerheads with Sonia's loyalists. That was irony of a revealing kind — Rahul loyalists being inimical to Sonia loyalists and vice-versa. These internal rivalries and clashing loyalties helped reduce the Congress to the status of a virtual non-entity. In the 2019 elections the Rahul caucus expected to win not less than 164 seats in the Parliament. It got 52, two seats short to have even the status of the official Opposition.

Kapil Sibal felt angry enough to say that, if nominations are to replace elections, then it was best to re-write the party's constitution. The loyalists pretended that they did not hear it. The bottomline is clear: There are Congress leaders whose eminence depends on patronage by the Gandhis and they put their self-interests above the interest of the party and the country. Mahatma Gandhi must have foreseen this. Hence his opinion, openly expressed, that the Congress must be disbanded. He said: "India having attained political independence through means devised by the Congress, the Congress in its present shape and form, that is, as a propaganda vehicle and Parliamentary machine has outlived its use... The Congress has won political freedom, but it is yet to win economic freedom, social and moral freedom."

Poor Gandhi! Not in his wildest dream could he have imagined India coming under a-moral freedom.

SNIFF OUT THE 'I' WORDS

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Can you find all the words in the puzzle THAT BEGIN WITH 'I'? You must look up, down, left, right and diagonally to find them.

The words to look for are:

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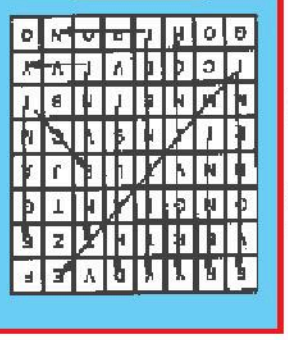


BRAIN GAMES

What is the largest animal that ever lived: Dinosaur Elephant or Blue Whale?

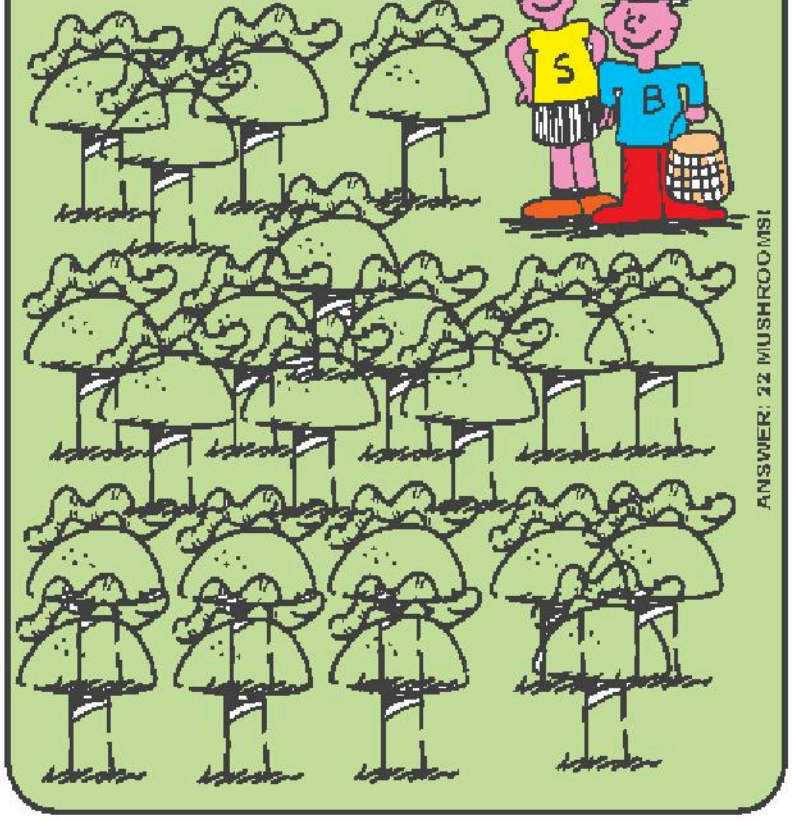
Blue Whale. One blue whale can weigh the equivalent of 150 cars!

In the human skeleton which is the largest bone: Is it the Pelvis (hip bone) the Femur (thigh bone)or the Scapula (shoulder blade)?

The thigh bone (Femur). A thigh bone takes up a third of your total height.

COUNT THE MUSHROOMS!

Ben And Sam found some mushrooms. How many do you think they found?



ANSWER: 22 MUSHROOMS!

Hotel booking in city begins to look up

Mysuru, Sept. 22 (RK&DM)- The hospitality sector of the city which had hit rockbottom following COVID-19 induced nationwide lockdown in March, has begun to look up, with the sector slowly hitting the comeback trail.

Subsequent to the phased lockdown relaxations, life in the city is slowing limping back to normalcy and so also is the hospitality sector, which is showing signs of recovery with gradually increasing number of hotel bookings.

Though domestic and international tourists are yet to arrive in the city in considerable numbers, tourists from across the State and neighbouring States are visiting the city in significant numbers, with the city limping back to normal life.

There are 405 lodges and other residential facilities in the city, with a total of about 9,500 rooms. Post lockdown relaxations, most Hotels have recorded 10 to 15 percent room bookings since June.8.

Mysuru Hotel Owners Association President C. Narayanagowda said that the demand for rooms has shown a marked improvement after the KRS was reopened for tourists last week.

Noting that although room bookings have begun to pick up, he said that the online bookings is not on expected lines and this has been a cause of worry for hotel and lodge owners.

Pointing out that tourists from other States are yet to start arriving in buses or taxis, he said that tourism is yet to pick up pace as air, train and inter-State bus services are yet to resume in full scale. Also, the Government's announcement that Dasara would be celebrated in a simple manner this year in the wake of Coronavirus spread, seems to have dampened the spirit of visitors.

Besides, there is less movement of software professionals and other techies, who spend time and money on tours and travels, as they are forced to work from home due to the COVID-19 pandemic, he said.

Continuing, Narayanagowda said that it will take at least six months for tourism in the city to return to its pre-lockdown levels.

Stating that it is extremely important for the hotel industry to withstand the losses for six more months in order to survive, he reiterated that it will take more time for the industry to recover and return to pre-lockdown levels.

Maintaining that although Bar & Restaurants, Clubs and Recreation Clubs have reopened recently, the business has not yet picked up as yet, he said that in general, it can be said that it will take a few more months for hotel and tourism sectors to reach their earlier levels of business.

Contending that barring weekends, many hotels of the city are having poor business on week days, with people still scared about the spread of COVID-19 contagion, he observed that the revival of the hotel and tourism industry mainly depends on the arrival of domestic and international tourist footfalls in the city.

Dasara: Abhimanyu-led Jumbo team to arrive in Mysuru on Oct. 1

After Aranya Bhavan stay on day-1, traditional welcome at Mysore Palace on Oct.2

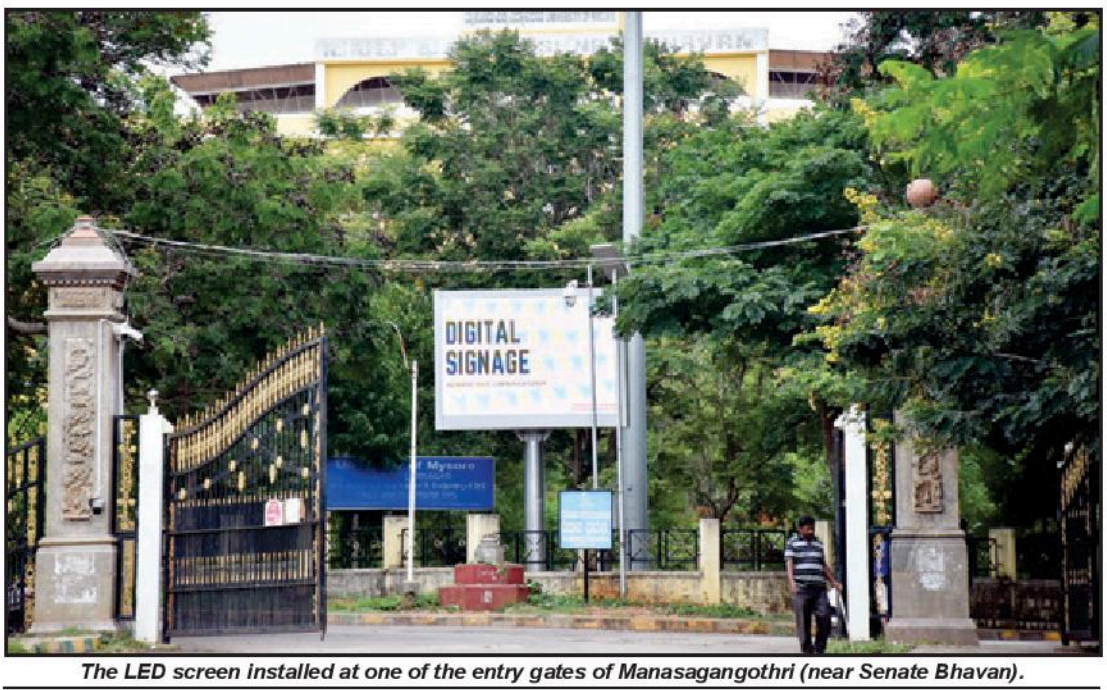
File photo

Mysuru, Sept. 22 (MTY&BNR)- Though the Corona pandemic has taken away the sheen of Mysuru Dasara festivities, it has been decided to carry out the century-old tradition adhering to the Government guidelines. Accordingly, the cynosure of all eyes, elephants selected from various elephant camps to take part in Dasara finale *Jumboo Savari,* will be arriving in city on Oct. 1. This ritual of sending elephants from the camps to city for Dasara is called *Gajapayana*.

Previously, 12 elephants in two batches along with Mahouts, Kavadis and their families used to be the royal guest for the festive season. They would arrive in city much in advance to acclimatise the pachyderms to city conditions including weather and noise. However, this year, as the Dasara celebrations including *Jumboo Savari* is limited to Palace premises alone, only five elephants including Howdah-bearer Abhimanyu will be arriving in city for the season.

The 53-year-old Abhimanyu from Mathigodu elephant camp will be accompanied by 'Pattada Aane' Vikrama and 'Kumki Aane' Vijaya from Anekadu, Gopi and another 'Kumki Aane' Kaveri from Dubare camp. They will be received at Aranya Bhavan in Ashokapuram here on Oct.1 and offered puja by the Forest Department personnel. Next day (Oct. 2), the jumbos will be taken to Mysore Palace where they will be given a traditional welcome by District Administration and Mysore Palace Board.

Mysore Varsity info on Digital Signages



The LED screen installed at one of the entry gates of Manasagangothri (near Senate Bhavan).

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The VC said another utility of this LED screen is to display notification regarding exams and any other notification pertaining to students or lecturers which were hitherto displayed on notice board. This works on WiFi technology.

The proposal to have the LED screen was pending for long and it became a reality now. It will become fully functional by the end of this month. It will be monitored from a Control Room situated at the Department of Studies in Computer Science, said Prof. Hemantha Kumar, who himself is the former Chairman of the Department.

Technical Panel

He said that a Committee comprising technical experts and lecturers has been constituted to workout details on the functioning of LED screens and contents. The Panel will decide on content to be streamed for at least two to three hours daily.

It may be mentioned here that 760 Close Circuit TV (CCTV) cameras have been installed on the 200-acre Manasagangothri campus at a cost of Rs. 5 crore to keep a watch on activities inside the campus.

Appointed as KPCC Spokesperson

Tanveer Sait

Mysuru, Sept.22 (SSV)-MLA Tanveer Sait has been appointed as Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC) Spokesperson with immediate effect, according to KPCC President D.K. Shivakumar, in a press release. Sait, a senior Congress leader of the city, is a five-time Congress MLA from NR Constituency of the city. Tanveer was first elected to the Assembly in the by-polls held in 2001, which was necessitated by the demise of his father Azeez Sait.

Contract Health Workers to go on indefinite stir from Sept.24

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In Mysuru District, the number was around 1,000. Nearly, 15 per cent of the workers had contracted COVID-19 recently and all of them have recovered. Now, they have decided not to submit daily report on COVID-19 from Thursday.

He said after repeated plea, the Government appointed a Committee to look into their demands but it did not do anything. The authorities concerned have turned a blind eye to their demands in spite of submitting memorandum to them several times. With no positive response from the Government they were forced to take such a drastic step, he added.

Chandrashekar said their demands are: job security, regularisation of jobs, formulating HR Policy on Haryana model, uniform pay scale for employees of Medical Education Department, direct payment of salary to all contract workers without middlemen, comprehensive health insurance coverage and other medical benefits, preference and weightage, no retrenchment on flimsy ground, special allowance and forming Employee Grievance Committee for Contract and Outsource Workers.

Association District Hon. President Rajesh, Vice-President Manjunath and Umesh were present during the press meet.

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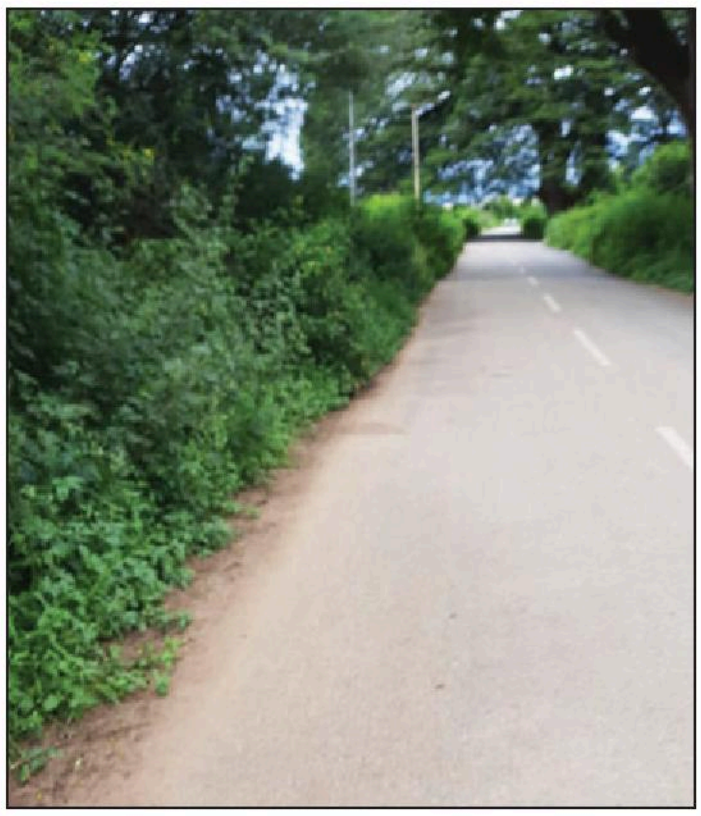
Plea to asphalt dug up portion of road in Saraswathipuram

A portion of Vishwamanava Double Road near the 6th Cross in Saraswathipuram, which was dug up for some works more than a month back is not asphalted. This is causing a lot of problems to motorists especially two-wheeler riders while passing on the dug up portion of the road. Authorities concerned are urged to asphalt the damaged road at the earliest for the benefit of road-users.

Clear weeds on footpath in Preethi Layout



Weeds have grown in plenty on the footpath from Preethi Layout to Ring Road leading to R.T. Nagar causing a lot of problems to walkers. Residents complained that as many vehicles including buses pass on the road, pedestrians are risking their lives as they have to walk on the road. They have urged the authorities concerned to take steps to clear the weeds and make the footpath pedestrian-friendly.

'Teachers should get prepared for National Education Policy'

Mysuru, Sept. 22 (PM&DM)- Maintaining that the New National Education Policy (NEP) is a game-changer, Chamaraja MLA L. Nagendra urged teachers to get prepared for implementation of the new policy.

He was speaking after inaugurating the Teacher's Day programme organised recently by Mysuru Kannada Vedike at Freedom Fighters Park in Subbarayanakere here, during which six teachers were conferred Dr. S. Radhakrishnan award.

Pointing out that children of the current generation were acquiring more knowledge through Internet, Nagendra said that at the same time, teachers too must become updated by gaining knowledge through more studies and research.

Noting that Dr. Radhakrishnan had served University of Mysore, he said that it is a matter of pride that Dr. Radhakrishnan, who started his career as a teacher, went on to become the President of India.

Recalling the names of some of the teachers during his school days, Nagendra said that teachers play a crucial role in moulding the future of children.

Kannada Development Authority (KDA) Member Gubbigoodu Ramesh, who is also a regular columnist of *Mysooru Mithra,* a sister concern of *Star of Mysore,* in his address, said that Dr. Radhakrishnan went on to become the President of India through his vast knowledge of the country. He further said that Dr. Radhakrishnan should be credited for taking the country through in difficult times.

Continuing, Gubbigoodu Ramesh said in the past, there were several challenges before the students. But in the changed scenario, it is the teachers who are facing a big challenge at a time when technology is making rapid advancements. Pointing out that the time has come for the teachers to hone their skills, with online classes gaining prominence during the current COVID-19 crisis, he said that teachers must become familiar with Digital Mode and Modems.

Stating that there is no age limit for learning, he said that teachers have the responsibility of building a society based on cultural and moral values.

Kannada Year

Gubbigoodu Ramesh said that Kannada Development Authority has planned to celebrate 'Kannada Year' (Kannada Varshacharane) from November.

Pointing out that the programme is aimed at promoting Kannada in all Government Departments, he said that in respect of Education Department, the teachers must use digital platforms for promoting digital education and language.

A total of six Government teachers — G.S. Ramegowda of Hegganur Government School, G.K. Lokesh of K.M. Halli School in H.D.Kote taluk, C. Uma of Hampapura School, B. Kamakshi of M. Kannenahalli School, P. Nannesh of Hadinarumole School and Chikkamahadeva of Deaf & Dumb School at Tilaknagar in Mysuru, were conferred Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Teacher Award on the occasion.

Social worker Bharath Kumar, Teacher S. Doreswamy, Mysuru Kannada Vedike President S. Balakrishna, office-bearers Nalabeedi Ravi, Palace Babu and others were present.

SSLC students who excelled in Govt. Schools felicitated

Mysuru, Sept. 22- A Prathibha Puraskar programme was organised in city recently by Narasipur Doddamane Sujana Charitable Trust, Bengaluru, where students from Government Schools were felicitated for excelling in SSLC examinations. Also, the Block Education Office (North) honoured six schools that got good results and feted 56 retired teachers.

Sujana Trust is engaged in different welfare activities mainly to improve learning process in Government Schools — providing teaching aids, teachers training, conducting science experiments using mobile science lab, skill development and counselling.

MLA Tanveer Sait, who is also the former Primary and Secondary Education Minister, honoured the achievers and emphasised on the role of teachers in guiding and shaping the students.

Cash prizes and certificates were distributed to M. Dhanush Gowda, who secured 92.48 percent in SSLC from Government Bifurcated Maharaja PU College (High School Division), H. Yogitha, who secured 87.20 percent from Government High School, Medar Block, M. Khushi, who secured 87 marks in Science from Government Girls PU College, People's Park, Nazarbad and H.R. Tribhuvan Tejaswi, who secured 81 marks in Science from Govt. Bifurcated Maharaja PU College (High School Division).

Also, the best performing Head Masters were honoured with cash prizes and appreciation letter. They are: B. Somashekar, Vice-Principal, Government Girls PU College (high school division), People's Park where the school has registered 77 percent pass percentage in SSLC exam, Renukaswamy, Head Master, Government High School, Kailaspuram that has registered 76 percent pass percentage and T.J. Ananda, Head Master, Government High School, Vinayakanagar that has registered 75 percent pass percentage.

District Institute of Education and Training (DIET) Principal Mahadevappa and BEO North Uday Kumar were the guests of honour. Trustee N.S. Prakash, and other members of the Trust Shylaja, K. Ramesh Babu, Usha and N. Lakshmi were present.

Kodava Samaja celebrates 152nd birth anniversary of Appacha Kavi

Mysuru, Sept. 22 (RKB& DM)- Mysuru Kodava Samaja celebrated the 152nd birth anniversary of Haradasa Appaneravanda Appacha Kavi as Kodava Thakk and Sahitya Divasa at Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa Bhavan in Vijayanagar here yesterday.

Rangayana Director Addanda C. Cariappa, Nellamakkada B. Kaveriappa of Bharani Art Gallery and Chenanda Uthappa spoke about the life and achievements of Haradasa Appacha Kavi and also about the lifetime achievements of litterateurs Dr. I.M. Muthanna and B.D. Ganapathy in their centenary year of celebration.

Maintaining that Appacha Kavi was not limited to just one community, they said that everyone should read the works of the great poet in order to have a deeper understanding of his contributions to the society.

Pointing out that Appacha Kavi is credited with scripting the first Kodava play and also acting in it, they opined that the great poet is very aptly called as Adikavi of Kodava language.

Mysuru Kodava Samaja President K.M. Belliappa, Secretary M.M. Ponnappa, Vice-President M.M. Ponnappa, Treasurer M.B. Jeevan, former Presidents Dr. A.A. Kuttappa, K.A. Kariappa, M.M. Karumbaiah, M.K. Kuttappa, B.M. Nanaiah and others were present.

Instant fountain on T. Narasipur Road

An instant fountain of about 8 ft. tall that sprung up from the damaged water supply pipe on T. Narasipur Road near Alanahalli yesterday morning resulted in gallons of precious water going for a waste. It looked like the leakage has been plugged as there was no leakage this morning.

Hostel staff demand salary for lockdown period

Mysuru, Sept. 22 (MTY&SSV)- Staff working in various hostels staged a protest here yesterday demanding the salary for lockdown period. The protest was held under the aegis of All India Trade Union Congress and Karnataka Rajya Samyuktha Vasathi Nilaya Karmikara Sangha near the DC's office here.

They said that the outsourced employees have joined the hostels in June but have remained without work due to non-starting of schools and colleges. They have not been paid in the last three months. The State Government has released the salary for the mid-day meal staff pending since June and even they too should be given the salary for that period. They will launch 'Bengaluru Chalo' agitation on Sept. 25 in case their demands were not met.

They said as many as 30,000 persons are working on contract basis for the last 17 years as cooks, assistant cooks and security guards in hostels due to non-filling of Group D posts. Since imposition of lockdown in March-April, they have not been paid. Their families have come to streets for want of money. Despite standing instruction from the Government to pay the salary of lockdown period, it has not been followed in many districts, they noted.

The protest was led by Lokesh, Mahadevaiah, Vijaykumar, Raju, Rekha, Seemavathy, Pavitra, Rajeshwari, Shivu, Latha, Rajesh, Ravi and M.V. Lokesh.

New CESC EE takes charge

T. Pradeep

Nanjangud, Sept. 22- T. Pradeep took charge as the new Executive Engineer (EE) of CESC Nanjangud Sub-Division here on Monday.

Later speaking to press persons, Pradeep said that he would give priority for providing better and quicker service to power consumers. He further said that he will convene a meeting shortly to discuss uninterrupted power supply.

CESC staff Kumaraswamy, Ravikumar, Hadinaru Parashivu, Rajendra, A.M. Vijaya and others were present.

HOPCOMS: Register your name to avail door delivery service

Mysuru, Sept. 22- The city's HOPCOMS is providing door delivery of fresh fruits and vegetables to the customers at reasonable rates through its online services.

The customers are required to download its mobile app 'HOPCOMS Online' and register their name to browse the prices of fresh fruits and vegetables.

Booked orders will be delivered to their doorsteps and cash on delivery facility is available for customers. Over 1,000 customers have already registered their names.

Variety of fresh fruits and vegetables including green leafy vegetables, dry fruits, coconut, eggs, organic jaggery, honey and flowers are available for delivery to the customers, according to a press release from the Ex-officio Managing Director of the District Horticulture Department, Mysuru. For details, contact Mob: 82778-14143.

Anganwadi workers stage protest

Mysuru, Sept. 22 (MTY&SD)- Opposing State Government's decision to start LKG and UKG classes in Government Schools, Anganwadi workers staged protest opposite ZP office yesterday.

Under the banner of AITUC-affiliated Karnataka State Anganwadi Workers and Helpers Federation, Anganwadi workers raised slogans against the Government and urged the State Government to continue pre-primary education of children in Anganwadi centres, instead of starting them at Government Schools in the State.

They also demanded the State Government to provide honorarium of Rs. 3,000 to Anganwadi workers on COVID duty. Their other demands included release of pending NPS funds and providing honorarium to Anganwadi workers working under Pradhan Mantri Matri Vandana Yojana and work related to Bhagyalakshmi Bond.

Federation office-bearers C. Girija, Mahadevamma, D. Jagannath, Sowmya and others took part in the protest.

Head Master dies after falling from bike

Kollegal, Sept. 22 (Nagendra &KS)- A Head Master of a Government School died after slipping and falling from his bike on the main road in front of Kollegal School for Speech and Hearing Impaired yesterday. The deceased is **Mahadevashetty,** HM of Hanur Government Model School and a resident of Madhuvanahalli in the taluk.

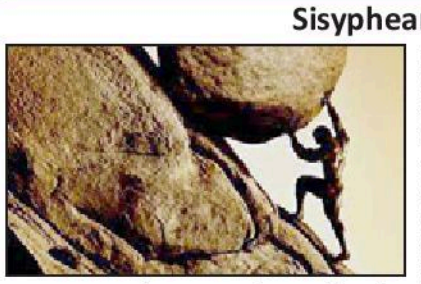
Mahadevashetty, who left for his school yesterday morning, reportedly rode into a pothole on the main road in front of Kollegal School for Speech and Hearing Impaired, lost control of the bike and fell on the road, resulting in him suffering serious head injuries and died on the spot.

Kollegal Police, who rushed to the spot, conducted mahazar and shifted the body to the Govt. Sub-Division Hospital mortuary, where post-mortem was conducted and the body was handed over to the family members.

Kollegal Town Police have registered a case.

WORD OF THE DAY

Sisyphean



Pronunciation: sis-uh-FEE-un.
Meaning: Of, relating to, or suggestive of the labours of Sisyphus; specifically : requiring continual and often ineffective effort.
Origin: In Greek mythology, Sisyphus was a king who annoyed the gods with his trickery. As a consequence, he was condemned for eternity to roll a huge rock up a long, steep hill in the underworld, only to watch it roll back down. The story of Sisyphus is often told in conjunction with that of Tantalus, who was condemned to stand beneath fruit-laden boughs, up to his chin in water. Whenever he bent his head to drink, the water receded, and whenever he reached for the fruit, the branches moved beyond his grasp. Thus to tantalize is to tease or torment by offering something desirable but keeping it out of reach—and something Sisyphean (or Sisyphian, pronounced \sih-SIFF-ee-un\) demands unending, thankless, and ultimately unsuccessful efforts.
Example: "I felt stuck in a Sisyphean loop, writing the same press release over and over. Even more, I was tired of promoting other people's creations instead of creating something myself." — Helene Wecker

THE ODD WORD

Sagathy

Light blend of silk and cotton or wool.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Sitting ducks

Meaning: Something that is lacking protection and thus it's in a vulnerable position.

Origin: This phrase likely comes from hunting, where sitting ducks are easy prey for hunters. To elaborate: There are ducks (like the mallard) that are known as "dabbling ducks," which means they look for their food near the water's surface. These ducks are often seen floating, or "sitting" on top of the water as they search for their food. Sitting ducks are especially vulnerable to hunters during this time because they are out in the open with no protection and are pretty much just holding still, which makes them easy targets to hit. Anyways, the earliest appearance of this phrase in print that I could find is from The Courier-Mail, September 12, 1940: "The German airmen are shooting 'sitting ducks,' yet, night and day, from low and high altitudes, they have succeeded only in hitting residential districts."

QUOTE BOX

Be like a duck, paddling and working very hard inside the water, but what everyone sees is a smiling and calm face. **— Manoj Arora**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

CO FF EE

Answer: Coffee break.

SUDOKU

			7				8	9
	8				1		7	
		2		6				
3		5	1					6
	2						3	
4					6	7		2
				9		1		
	5		8				6	
8	1				2			

Answer to previous puzzle

7	2	3	8	6	5	9	1	4
6	9	1	4	2	7	8	3	5
8	4	5	3	9	1	6	7	2
5	8	7	9	4	2	3	6	1
2	6	9	1	7	3	4	5	8
1	3	4	5	8	6	2	9	7
3	1	6	2	5	4	7	8	9
9	5	2	7	3	8	1	4	6
4	7	8	6	1	9	5	2	3

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

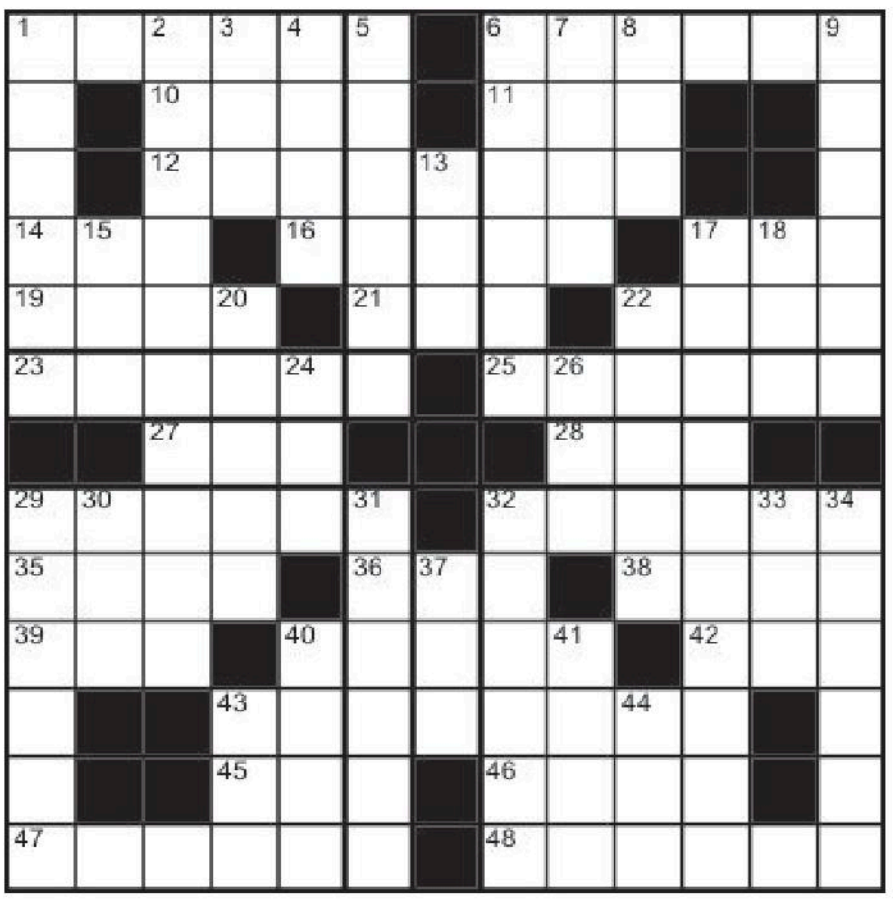
1 Supported, aided or promoted
6 A blow - for a dispute?
10 Pay to use for a time
11 Pak. Intl. Airlines
12 Adjusting to suit a new use
14 Superlative suffix?
16 Tastelessly showy
17 General Officer Commanding
19 Singer Coolidge
21 Royal Aeroscape, abbr.
22 Incline or lean to one side
23 American wildcat
25 Gets the tennis game going?
27 Literary initials
28 "No" or "not" in Scotland?
29 Idle, empty
32 Coupled together; matched or mated
35 San Serif or Arial
36 Miles/hours
38 Ceramic slab
39 Fuel economy letters
40 A Eurasian tree - "Be lea" anagram?
42 Small drink
43 Keep intact
45 Limited in short?
46 Small fly or mosquito
47 Things or persons used to lure other people or animals
48 A sequence of single tones, the tune

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

S	T	E	N	■	T	A	R	■	A	Z	M	I
A	B	L	Y	■	I	T	O	■	S	E	A	S
L	A	I	C	■	T	O	A	F	A	U	L	T
E	R	G	■	J	A	M	M	U	■	S	A	O
■	■	I	C	A	N	■	I	S	T	■	■	■
R	E	B	U	T	■	A	N	S	W	E	R	S
O	W	L	S	■	F	I	G	■	O	N	U	S
K	E	E	P	F	I	T	■	O	U	T	E	R
■	■	■	S	O	N	■	O	L	P	E	■	■
E	L	S	■	W	E	I	R	D	■	R	T	O
R	E	P	U	L	S	E	D	■	T	I	E	R
L	A	O	S	■	S	E	E	■	A	N	I	L
E	F	T	S	■	E	E	R	■	U	G	L	Y

DOWN

1 Short Spanish jacket
2 Talking rapidly and almost incessantly
3 Young goat
4 "E" in Q.E.D. ?
5 Leave
6 Sharp steel instruments
7 Very small
8 Tease a new-comer to the college hostel?
9 Picks or chooses
13 Terminal Control Area, abbr.
15 Thus used or spelt, etc.; so in Latin?
17 Cause, induce or suggest? (4,4,2)
18 Spanish cry of encouragement or cheer
20 Apportion
22 Personal characteristic
24 Pre-CIA spy org.
26 Girl's name
29 Out of sight, out __ ___? (2,4)
30 Apex or acme
31 Fixes firmly in surrounding mass
32 Sputum
33 Bible's high priest of Shiloh
34 Use resources
37 Footlike organ
40 Affected or pretentious
41 A type of sea eagle
43 Arafat's gp.
44 Value or valency in short?



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

ICIXQIL CIKLIYJ NGW SWYDIQ GWN QGIT

DWQ QGIYI NWP'Q QGI PIFQ QUOI

TODAY'S CLUE: N EQUALS W

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: A theory can be proved by experiment; but no path leads from experiment to the birth of a theory.

RCB kicks off IPL 2020 campaign with a win

Dubai, Sept. 22- Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) beat Sunrisers Hyderabad (SRH) by 10 runs in Dubai to kick off their Indian Premier League (IPL) 2020 campaign with a win yesterday.

Put into bat, RCB were off to a flying start. Devdutt Padikkal, making his IPL debut, hit two fours in the second over and followed it up with three more in the fourth over.

SRH were then dealt with an injury blow as Mitchell Marsh had to leave the field after bowling just four deliveries.

RCB then brought up their fifty in the final over of the powerplay before SRH bowled three tight overs, conceding just 15 overs. However, Aaron Finch hit a six and a four off Rashid Khan's first over to push RCB to 75 at the end of the 9th over.

But SRH dismissed both the RCB openers on consecutive deliveries. First, Vijay Shankar disturbed the timber to end Devdutt Padikkal's innings and then, Abhishek Sharma trapped Finch before the wickets.

Virat Kohli and AB de Villiers then added 43 runs together before T. Natarajan struck in the 16th over to get the RCB skipper out for 14. ABD, though, then cut loose to bring up his fifty and pushed RCB total past 160 before being run-out for 51 in the final over of the RCB innings.

Yuzvendra Chahal (right) — star of RCB's victory in their opening IPL 2020 match — with skipper Virat Kohli.

Defending 163, RCB struck early, courtesy a stroke of luck as Umesh Yadav, on his own bowling, managed to deflect Jonny Bairstow's shot onto the stumps to cut short David Warner's stay in the middle.

Manish Pandey joined Bairstow in the middle and the pair added 71 runs from 62 deliveries before Yuzvendra Chahal dismissed Pandey for 33.

While Bairstow had a couple of reprieves, to his credit, he made the most of it, bringing up his fifty in the 14th over as SRH moved closer to 110.

At that stage, RCB needed a couple of quick wickets and they got what they were looking for.

With SRH needing 43 runs off 29 balls, Chahal struck twice. First, he got the better of well-set Bairstow, and on the next delivery, broke through Vijay Shankar's defence to pick his third wicket.

There was another two-wicket over as SRH lost Priyam Garg, who failed to time his scoop shot and dragged a Shivam Dube delivery onto the stumps. In the same over, a mid-pitch collision with Rashid Khan, saw Abhishek Sharma lose his wicket.

Navndeep Saini then disturbed the timber twice as SRH lost Bhuvneshwar Kumar and Rashid in the 18th over.

While Marsh walked out to bat despite injury, Dube got him out on the first ball before Dale Steyn sealed the RCB's win, dismissing Sandeep Sharma in the final.

BRIEF SCORES

RCB: 163/5 (Devdutt Padikkal 56, AB de Villiers 51; Abhishek Sharma 1/16) beat **SRH:** 153 all out (Jonny Bairstow 61, Manish Pandey 34; Yuzvendra Chahal 3/18) by 10 runs.

IPL 2020

Today's Match (SEPT. 22)

RR Vs CSK
Sharjah Cricket Stadium, Sharjah, **7.30 pm (IST)**

Tomorrow's Match (SEPT. 23)

KKR Vs MI
Sheikh Zayed Stadium, Abu Dhabi, **7.30 pm (IST)**

Yesterday's Result

RCB 163/5 (20 overs) beat **SRH 153 (19.4 overs)**

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Novak Djokovic wins fifth Rome Title for record 36th Masters Crown

Halep lifts her first Italian Open trophy

Rome, Sept. 22- Novak Djokovic claimed a record 36th Masters crown yesterday, beating Argentine Diego Schwartzman in the final of the Italian Open.

The world number one came through 7-5, 6-3 in just under two hours to move ahead of Spanish rival Rafael Nadal (35) in the number of Masters titles.

Serb Djokovic won a fifth Rome title, and first since 2015, in the warm-up clay-court tournament for next week's French Open. Nine-time Rome winner Nadal, the defending champion, fell in the quarter-finals to eighth-seed Schwartzman.

Djokovic had been unbeaten this season before his US Open disqualification for hitting a line judge with a ball in frustration.

The 33-year-old has won four trophies from five events in 2020 — the Australian Open, Dubai, Cincinnati, which was hosted in New York, and Rome.

Novak Djokovic

Simona Halep

It was the 10th Rome final for Djokovic who has lost three times since his last victory, including last year to Nadal.

Schwartzman, 15th in the world, took Djokovic's first two service games to led 3-0.

But Djokovic rallied for his fifth win over the Argentinian, to extend his record to 31 wins out of his 32 matches this year.

Halep beat Pliskova

Simona Halep lifted her first Italian Open trophy on yesterday, a confidence-boost ahead of next week's French Open, after defending champion Karolina Pliskova retired injured in the Rome final.

World number two Halep was competing in her third Rome WTA final, having finished runner-up in 2017 and 2018 on the clay at the Foro Italico. The top seed finally won her coveted trophy after Czech Pliskova retired while trailing 6-0, 2-1 in the final.

EVENTS TODAY (SEPT. 22)

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- **Rajasthan Grameen Mela:** Expo-cum-sale of dress materials, sarees, handicrafts, etc., Jayamma Govindegowda Kalyana Mantapa, Kuvempunagar, **up to 9.30 pm.**

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- **Mysuru Akashavani:** Re-telecast of 'Belli Beragu - Mysuru Koduge' series, Journalist Ganesh Amingad provides information on Mysuru talents who worked for Cinema, Akashavani 100.6 FM, **5 pm.**

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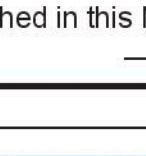
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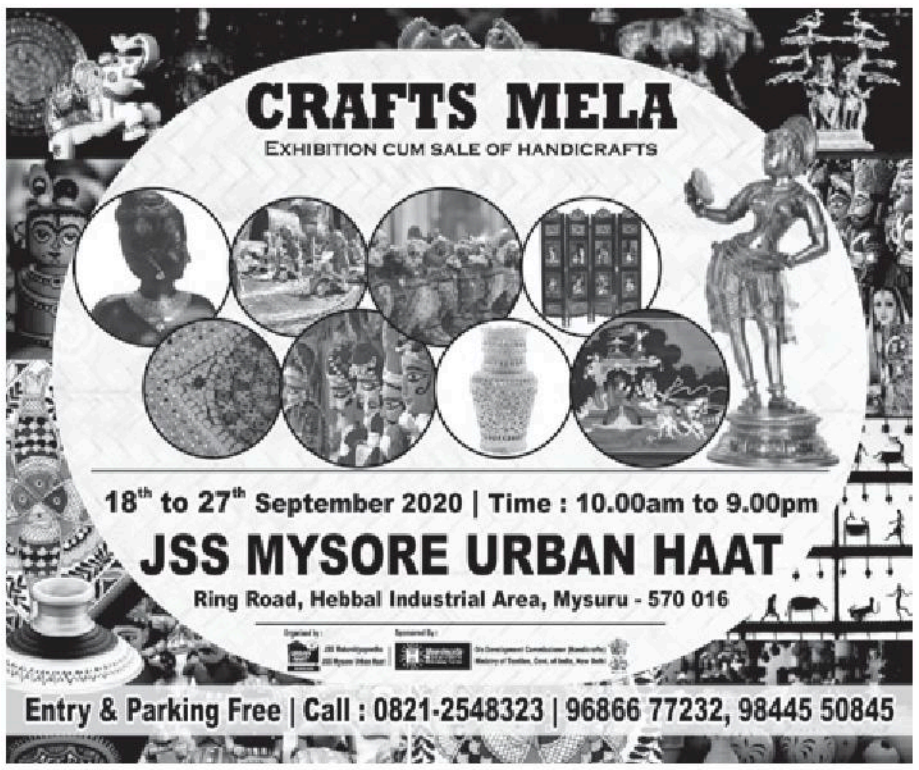
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